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SUBJECT: F-104 REPLACEMENT; FEBRUARY 25-26 MEETING OF CONSORTIUM
COUNTRY REPS AT PENTAGON

REF: A) SECDEF MSG. 262335Z FEB 75 (NOTAL)

B) SECDEF MSG. 272228Z FEB 75

1. SIGNIFICANT USG EFFORT TO MAKE US OFFER ATTRACTIVE TO
CONSORTIUM INCLUDED SECRETARY CLEMENTS ANNOUNCEMENT TO 4 COUNTRY
DELS THAT US AGREED THAT CONSORTIUM COUNTRY MEMBERS MIGHT CONTINUE
TO PARTICIPATE UP TO 15 PERCENT IN SALES TO THIRD COUNTRIES
BEYOND THE POINT WHERE CONSORTIUM COUNTRIES HAVE RECOUPED 100 PER-
CENT OF THEIR COST OF PURCHASING THE INITIAL 350 AIRCRAFT.

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THIS SHOULD PROVE TO BE A KEY FACTOR IN ENCOURAGING BELGIAN

GOVERNMENT TO MAKE DECISION FOR F-16.

2. WE HAVE COMMUNICATED TEXT OF FISH-HAMRE LETTER (REF A) CONTAINING THIS NEW FACTOR TO KEY BELGIAN MINISTRIES. IT WOULD ALSO BE HELPFUL FOR US TO BE ABLE TO USE THAT NEW FACTOR IN PUBLIC IN ORDER TO HELP CREATE FAVORABLE CLIMATE OF PUBLIC OPINION FOR PRO F-16 DECISION IN INDUSTRIAL, LABOR AND POLITICAL CIRCLES. GENERAL DYNAMICS AND PRATT & WHITNEY REPS IN BRUSSELS WITH WHOM WE DISCUSSED ISSUE, AGREE AND WOULD LIKE TO USE INFO THEMSELVES IN THEIR CONTACTS WITH ALL SECTORS OF BELGIAN DECISION MAKERS.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: EITHER PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT OF THIS NEW FACTOR IN WASHINGTON WITH TEXT WE COULD THEN USE OR PERMISSION TO RELEASE THIS PRESENTLY CLASSIFIED INFO HERE.
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